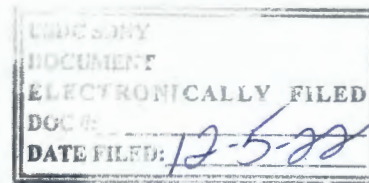


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**MEMO ENDORSED**

November 15, 2022

**VIA ECF**

The Honorable Lewis A. Kaplan  
United States District Court for the  
Southern District of New York  
Room 1940  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007

Re: *United States v. James Gatto, et al.* (Case No. 17-CR-686)

Dear Judge Kaplan:

I represent Defendant James Gatto in the above-captioned matter. On June 17, 2019, the Court entered an Amended Judgment sentencing Mr. Gatto to a custodial term of imprisonment and granted him bail pending appeal. On December 13, 2021, Mr. Gatto's petition for certiorari was denied by the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Gatto recently completed his custodial sentence.

Defense counsel is informed by the Pretrial Services Office of the Southern District of New York ("Pretrial") that a Court order is required to have Mr. Gatto's passport returned to him. Mr. Gatto thus respectfully requests that the Court order that Pretrial may return Mr. Gatto's passport to his counsel.

Mr. Gatto has no plans to travel internationally and will continue to comply with his conditions of release.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Michael S. Schachter

Michael S. Schachter

cc: (via ECF)

U.S. Department of Justice

*Granted*  
SO ORDERED  
*Lewis A. Kaplan*  
LEWIS A. KAPLAN, USDJ  
12/5/22